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SUBJECT: IMMIGRATION ADVISORY PROGRAM: APPROVAL OF NOTE
VERBALE AND MEMORANDA OF OPERATION

REF: A. TOKYO 4970

[1](#)B. TOKYO 4829
[1](#)C. STATE 138354

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[1](#)1. (SBU) This is an action request. Per ref A request, the Department of State and the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) have reviewed the draft Note Verbale and three Memoranda of Operation (MOO) for the Immigration Advisory Program with the final minor change proposed by Japan, s Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA) to the MOO for the Ministry of Justice. Embassy is requested to advise MOFA that Washington agencies accept the text of the documents as given in ref A, along with the final minor change to the MOO for the Ministry of Justice, and are ready to move forward on the exchange of notes to implement the program.

[1](#)2. (SBU) DHS has identified the following officials who will sign the three MOO for Customs and Border Protection: Jayson [1](#)P. Ahern, Assistant Commissioner, Office of Field Operations. Agencies would appreciate confirmation of officials who will sign for the National Police Agency, Ministry of Justice, and Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport.

[1](#)3. (SBU) As proposed in ref B, Washington agencies agree that the text of the embassy Note Verbale in reply to the Japanese note should read as follows. Begin text:

The Embassy of the United States of America presents its compliments to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and has the honor to refer to the note No. XXX from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

The United States is confident that the high level of cooperation and informational exchange that has been established for such an important aspect of airline passenger security will be beneficial to our two governments and shares the understanding as set forth in the Japanese note.

The Embassy of the United States of America avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs the assurances of its highest consideration.

End text.
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